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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the August 1, 2005 Office Action for an additional four months, from April 1, 2006 to August 1, 2006. A Petition for Extension of Time and Notice of Appeal with requisite fees, were filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 1, 2006. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1710 \$1,590.00 for payment of the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees believed due in connection with the filing of this Petition for Extension of Time, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1710.

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